# TELECONFERENCE MEETING OF THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON THE MEDICAL USES OF ISOTOPES

June 16, 2015

## **MEETING SUMMARY**

## **PURPOSE**

To discuss issues related to the implementation of the medical regulations in Title 10 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) part 35, "Medical Use of Byproduct Material," including the training and experience requirements for authorized users of alpha and beta emitters and the Advisory Committee on the Medical Uses of Isotopes (ACMUI) subcommittee report on the revisions to the radioactive seed localization (RSL) licensing guidance.

## OUTCOME

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff gained a better understanding of the views and opinions of the ACMUI, as well as other stakeholders' views and opinions. The staff will consider these views in its continuing effort to make 10 CFR Part 35 more useful, practical, and not overly burdensome on licensees, while maintaining public health and safety. A full transcript and handout for the ACMUI teleconference meeting can be found on NRC's public website at <a href="http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/acmui/meetings/">http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/acmui/meetings/</a>.

The draft ACMUI Subcommittee report on revisions to the Radioactive Seed Localization 10 CFR 35.1000 licensing guidance is available on NRC's public website under "ACMUI Subcommittee Reports": <a href="http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/acmui/reports/">http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/acmui/reports/</a>

## **AGENDA TOPIC**

- Discuss the Training and Experience Requirements for Authorized Users of Alpha and Beta Emitters
- Discuss the ACMUI Subcommittee Report on the Revisions to the Radioactive Seed Localization Licensing Guidance

## SUMMARY

Dr. Jennifer Cultrera discussed the need for the creation of a training and experience subcategory for authorized users (AUs) of intravenously-delivered oncology therapies supplied as patient-ready doses. She stated that the current requirements of 700 hours of training and experience and three proctored cases severely limits access to and discourages the use of these therapeutic radiopharmaceuticals. This proposed subcategory would require only 80 hours of training and experience for hematologists and oncologists seeking to administer low-risk alpha and beta-emitting radiopharmaceuticals.

The subcommittee provided a draft report for discussion with the full Committee. Subcommittee members included: Dr. Philip Alderson, Mr. Francis Costello, Dr. Ronald Ennis (chair), and Dr. Pat Zanzonico. The major sections under consideration by the subcommittee for revisions to the guidance included changes to the authorized user, written directive, and medical event

reporting. During the meeting, the subcommittee made the determination to further evaluate the RSL guidance, revise the draft report based on the discussion and provide a final draft for vote at the October 2015 ACMUI Meeting. The current RSL guidance can be found on the NRC's Medical Uses Licensee Toolkit at: <a href="http://www.nrc.gov/materials/miau/med-use-toolkit.html">http://www.nrc.gov/materials/miau/med-use-toolkit.html</a>

#### RECOMMENDATIONS AND ACTIONS

Chair of the ACMUI, Dr. Thomadsen, created a subcommittee to evaluate if the required 700 hours for training and experience for authorized users of alpha and beta emitters places hardship on the patient community. If so, the subcommittee should make recommendations for potential changes (rulemaking). Subcommittee members include: Dr. Dilsizian, Dr. Ennis, Dr. Langhorst, Dr. Palestro (Chair), Ms. Weil, and Dr. Zanzonico. The subcommittee will present their draft report at the fall 2015 ACMUI Meeting scheduled to take place on October 8-9, 2015 at NRC Headquarters.

The ACMUI Radioactive Seed Localization Subcommittee will revise their draft report and will present the final draft report at the fall 2015 ACMUI Meeting.

Attachments:

List of Attendees

# **MEETING ATTENDEES**

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